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**Statewide CSAFE Academy April 29- May 1  
At Public Safety Education and Training Center  
6852 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Sykesville**

TOWSON, MD (April 25, 2008)---Law enforcement officers, parole and probation agents, and juvenile counselors who are a part of Maryland's Collaborative Supervision and Focused Enforcement (CSAFE) will gather for a three-day academy beginning April 29 at 8:30 a.m. in Sykesville. The summit takes place at the Public Safety Education and Training Center, 6852 4<sup>th</sup> Street, on the grounds of the old Springfield State Hospital in Sykesville.

CSAFE is a statewide effort featuring agents from the Maryland Division of Parole and Probation (DPP), counselors from the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS), and local law enforcement working together to stabilize neighborhoods and better supervise ex-offenders. The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention (GOCCP) is a critical component, providing funding and direction.

Governor Martin O'Malley has directed CSAFE to focus more intensely on repeat violent offenders, and the resulting Violence Prevention Initiative in the Division of Parole and Probation is an outgrowth of that, designed to reduce recidivism and reduce the number of new victims in our neighborhoods. This academy will feature training for people who have joined the CSAFE team since last summer. Many of those in attendance will be parole and probation agents, key players in the effort to monitor ex-offenders in neighborhoods all over the state.

The CSAFE Academy is organized by the Advanced and Specialized Training Unit of the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions, agencies within the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

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